Degraded Forests on Usufruct Sharing Basis, (v) Conservation and Management of Mangroves and Coral Reefs, (vi) Biosphere Reserve Programme, and (vii) Introduction of Modern Forest Fire Control Methods during the last five years, State-wise, are given in the Statement (*See* below). The utilisation of these funds by the State Government has, by and large, been satisfactory.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

Statement

Funds provided to States under the centrally sponsored schemes of the Ministry of Environment and Forests during the last 5 years

(Rs. in Lakhs)

State	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00
Andhra Pradesh	439.61	416.26	232.02	320.73	378.36
Arunachal Pradesh	139.88	112.39	74.86	19.94	103.05
Assam	195.33	170.56	166.54	150.95	181.84
Bihar	90.18	133.78	202.35	125.59	262.04
Goa	28.81	21.26	21.78	22.82	26.77
Gujarat	333.33	257.40	272.05	281.86	421.04
Haryana	487.79	445.08	299.14	409.18	376.42
Himachal	448.70	313.50	207.46	131.85	283.27
Jammu and Kashmir	553.17	516.75	393.49	494.19	567.94
Karnataka	647.78	523.24	438.22	227.46	444.41
Kerala	114.06	179.59	257.77	334.80	463.37
Madhya Pradesh	822.31	863.51	690.71	876.06	896.93
Maharashtra	246.77	150.61	225.38	174.64	195.91
Manipur	495.50	479.68	218.48	469.07	676.54
Meghalaya	85.00	90.77	5.48	12.00	10.21
Mizoram	431.14	365.00	339.83	339.72	392.25
Nagaland	29.10	20.00	1.22	15.23	49.47
Orissa	210.00	255.10	192.13	378.11	521.73
Punjab	502.55	227.50	268.61	62.81	28.62
Rajasthan	774.91	568.41	643.36	663.05	684.84
Sikkim	439.95	366.65	194.04	343.08	281.34
Tamil Nadu	213.10	158.75	160.39	170.86	135.03
Tripura	138.05	93.54	166.51	106.46	55.02
Uttar Pradesh	778.09	1435.14	648.60	633.44	736.23
West Bengal	378.95	340.48	288.52	433.39	506.99
TOTAL:	9024.06	8504.95	6609.24	7197.29	8679.62

Afforestation plans for Orissa

1299. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received afforestation plans from the Orissa Government to restore the green cover, after the super cyclone, for approval and sanction of funds;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Central Government; and

(c) the progress made, so far, on afforestation programmes in the State and the funds utilized?

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The details of action taken by the Government is given in the statement.

Statement

Afforestation Plans of Orissa

The Government have received following afforestation plans from Orissa Government to restore the green cover, after the super-cyclone, for approval and sanction of funds.

1. *Integrated Afforestation & Eco-Development Project Scheme (IAEPS)*

Under this scheme, eight projects were received from Orissa Government during 1999-2000. These projects were sanctioned by the Government during 1999-2000 for a three year period at a total of Rs. 1249.10 lakhs to cover 19500 ha. of degraded areas, details of which are given below:—

(Area in Ha. & Amount in Rs. Lakhs)

Location of the Project	Total Area for afforestation	Outlay sanctioned by the Govt.	Release made by Govt. of India
Cuttack	2800	196.61	37.54
Jajpur	1400	117.94	21.92
Mayurbhanj, Balasore & Bhadrak	2000	96.00	22.94
Mayurbhanj	2000	96.00	22.93
Cuttack & Jajpur	3300	206.49	37.54
Keonjhar	2800	134.40	32.12
Ganjam	3000	214.28	41.17
Khurda	2200	187.38	5.00
TOTAL:	19500	1249.10	221.16

In addition to these, six more proposals were received from Orissa Government for coastal shelterbelt plantations under Integrated Afforestation & Eco-Development Project Scheme in the coastal areas of Bhadrak, Balasore, Ganjam, Kendrapara, Puri and Jagatsinghpur districts of Orissa. These project proposals were sanctioned by Government of India at a total cost of Rs. 1488.51 lakhs to cover 8000 ha. for two year period from 2000-01 to 2001-02. The details are as under:—

(Area in Ha. & Amount in Rs. Lakhs)

Location of the Project	Total Area for afforestation	Outlay sanctioned by the Govt.	Release made by Govt. of India
Bhadrak	100	18.40	5.22
Balasore	400	73.58	20.86
Ganjam	500	91.97	26.07
Kendrapara	2500	463.89	100.00
Puri	2500	466.82	159.59
Jagatsinghpur	2000	373.85	129.35
TOTAL:	8000	1488.51	441.09

Thus after the super-cyclone in Orissa, a total amount of Rs. 662.25 lakhs have been released by the Central Government for the purpose of afforestation. Out of this the State Government has utilized an amount of Rs. 14.95 lakhs for afforestation of 1650 Ha. of physical area. The State Government has also undertaken pre-planting operations prior to further afforestation activities.

2. *Conservation & Management of Mangroves and Coral Reefs Scheme*

After the super-cyclone, five mangrove area of Bhitarkanika, Mahanadi, Subarnrekha, Devi and Dhamra have been identified for conservation and management of mangroves. The project proposals were received from the State Government of Orissa and the same were sanctioned as follows:—

(Area in Ha. & Amount in Rs. Lakhs)

Location of the Project	Total Area for afforestation	Outlay sanctioned by the Govt.	Release made by Govt. of India
Bhitarkanika	200	12.00	12.00
Mahanadi	150	7.50	7.50
Subarnrekha	200	12.00	12.00
Devi	150	9.00	9.00
Dharma	100	6.00	6.00
TOTAL:	800	46.50	46.50

Thus, a total of Rs. 46.50 lakhs have been released for conservation and management of 800 ha. of mangrove areas. The State Government has undertaken pre-planting operations prior to afforestation activities.

Approval of Irrigation Projects under Forest Act

†T300. PROF. R.B.S. VERMA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that approval to the irrigation projects of various States is given by the Ministry of Environment and Forests under Forest Act, 1980;

(b) if so, the number of such projects approved during the last three years; and

(c) the details of projects of Uttar Pradesh which were approved during the said period?

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) As per the provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, prior approval of Central Government is required for diversion of forest land for non-forestry purposes including irrigation projects.

(b) During the last three years i.e. 1997 to 1999, 228 irrigation proposals were received from various States under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and out of these 163 proposals have been approved.

(c) The details of irrigation projects of Uttar Pradesh received during the last three years (i.e. 1997 to 1999) and approved are given in the enclosed statement.

Statement

Irrigation Projects of Uttar Pradesh

Sl. No.	Name of Project	Area (in hectares)	Remarks
1.	Anoopshar Left Irrigation Canal in Ghaziabad district	3.625	Approved on 12.05.1998.
2.	Banjari Kalabund MIP in Mirzapur	30.703	Approved in-principle on 21.08.1998.
3.	Jakhli Canal in Almora district	0.658	Approved on 16.12.1999.
4.	Madalkia Canal in Pithoragarh	1.00	Approved on 02.09.1999.
5.	Naulda Canal in Pithoragarh district	1.02	Approved on 06.07.1999.
6.	Datia Carrier Canal in Jhansi district	26.231	Approved on 18.02.1999.
7.	Lastar Canal in Pauri district	8.457	Approved in-principle on 06.07.1999.
8.	Kumaleshwar Canal in Almora	0.125	Approved on 27.03.2000.
9.	Pudiya Canal in Deharadun district	0.75	Approved on 06.01.2000
10.	Bhogpur Canal in Haridwar district	15.63	Approved in-principle on 01.02.2000.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.